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Identical letters dated 6 March 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, dated 6 March 2014, regarding the violation of the airspace controlled by the Georgian central authorities (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex issued as a document of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 34, and of the Security Council.

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Statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia regarding the violation of the airspace controlled by the Georgian central authorities

On 6 March 2014, at 12.20 p.m. local time, a Russian MI-8 military helicopter intruded from the illegally deployed military base in the occupied Tskhinvali region of Georgia into the airspace controlled by the Georgian central authorities and flew over the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs posts and police buildings located in the villages of the Gori and Kaspi districts, namely, Arbo, Mereti, Ditsi, Koshka, Kere, Plavi, Plavismani, Kveshi, Mejvriskhevi, Zerti, Kirbali, Bershueti, Tsitelubani, Khurvaleti, Zadiaantkari, Sakorintlo, Kvemo Chala, Pantiani and Veke.

On the same day at 6.22 p.m., a Russian unmanned aerial vehicle intruded from the occupied Abkhazia region of Georgia, specifically from the direction of Nabakevi village in the Gali district, into the airspace controlled by the Georgian central authorities, and flew over the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs posts in the village of Khurcha in the Zugdidi district.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia expresses concern over yet another instance of violation of Georgia's sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as of the 12 August 2008 Ceasefire Agreement, and calls on the international community, foreign diplomats accredited in Georgia and the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia to pay special attention to the situation along the occupation line in order to prevent Russia's provocative actions and attempts to escalate the situation.

Tbilisi, 6 March 2014